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FOLLOWING TEL SENT ACTION NEW DELHI FROM CALCUTTA ON SEP 6, 1974
NOW REPEATED FOR YOUR INFO.

QUOTE

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E.O. 11652: N/A

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SUBJ: HARCOS/FLETCHER

1. BAIL: DEFENSE LAWYER BHOSE TOLD ME THIS MORNING THAT HE BELIEVES THEY ARE CLOSE TO REACHING AGREEMENT WITH THE POLICE ON A SUITABLE SITE FOR HOUSE ARREST. IT DEVELOPS THAT THE LANDLORD AT 8 SUDDER STREET IS ENGAGING IN BARGINING TACTICS TO GET A HIGHER RENT PERHAPS MORE SIGNIFICANT, PROSECUTION HAS INDICATED WILLINGNESS TO APPROVE THE SALVATION ARMY HOTEL, WHICH WOULD BE MUCH LESS EXPENSIVE FOR HARCOS AND FLETCHER THAN ANY FLAT THAT MIGHT BE AGREED UPON.

2. UNFORTUNATELY, HARCOS AND FLETCHER'S FUNDS ARE SO DEPLETED (RS. 1532 AND RS. 88 RESPECTIVELY) THAT THE DEFENSE LAWYERS MAY BE FACED WITH A DILEMA WHEN THE ORDER IS PASSED RELEASING THE PRISONERS. DEFENSE LAWYER BHOSE IS SENDING ANOTHER URGENT TELEGRAM TO MISS DONOVAN TODAY ASKING HER TO SUPPLEMENT FLETCHER'S ACCOUNT. HE ASKED WHETHER WE COULD HELP, NOTEING THAT HE HAD HAD A LETTER FROM MRS. FLETCHER SAYING SHE WOULD SEE THAT FUNDS ARE FORTH-

COMING "AS SOON AS I HEAR FROM THE CONSULATE". I TOLD HIM

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THAT THIS WAS VERY MUCH A MATTER BETWEEN THE DEFENSE LAWYERS, THE RELATIVES AND OTHER FINANCIAL SUPPORTERS, BUT I AGREED

TO REPORT WHAT HE HAD TOLD ME. COMMENT: IT MIGHT HELP IF
SOMEONE WERE TO CALL MISS DONOVAN TO DESCRIBE THE
CURRENT SITUATION, SINCE IT SEEMS POSSIBLE AT THIS POINT THAT
ALL THE EFFORT THAT HAS GONE INTO GETTING THE GOVERNMENT'S
AGREEMENT TO BAIL MIGHT COME TO NAUGHT. THIS IS
PARTICULARLY SERIOUS SINCE THE PRISONERS HAVE NOW LINKED THE
HUNGER STRIKE SOLELY TO THIS ISSUE.

3. DEFENSE ACCESS TO DOCUMENTATION: BHOSE SAID HE UNDERSTOOD
THAT THE HIGH COURT WOULD HEAR PROSECUTION'S APPEAL ON THIS
ISSUE ON MONDAY. IF THEY RULE IN FAVOR OF PROSECUTION, HE
SAID "THE WHOLE MATTER IS DEAD".
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